

REMARKS

The specification is amended to update the status of the priority applications.

Claims 35, 36, and 57 are amended. Claims 1-33, 38, 39, 41-43, 48-53, 55, 56, 59, 60, 62-64, 69, and 71 are canceled. Claims 34-37, 40, 44-47, 54, 57, 58, 61, 65-68, and 70 remain in the application.

The amendments to claims 35 and 36 are not made to avoid rejection. Instead, the amendments are made only to further clarify language with respect to antecedent basis and to make manifest what was otherwise implicit.

The amendments to claims 35, 36, and 57 do not introduce new matter.

Claim 34 is allowed.

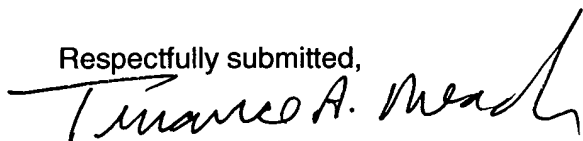
Claims 57, 58, 61, 65-68, and 70 are objected to. It is submitted that the amendments to claim 57 remove the basis for this rejection.

Claims 35-37, 40, 44-47, 54, 57, 58, 61, 65-68, and 70 are rejected for obviousness-type double patenting over commonly-owned US Patent 6,228,107. The Terminal Disclaimer submitted by first class mail on 28 October 2002 and entered into the file on 4 November 2002¹ removes the basis for this rejection.

Accordingly, all claims remaining in the application are either allowed or allowable, and this application is in condition for allowance.

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¹ see the 11-04-2002 entry under the Image File Wrapper for this application on Public Pair